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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 7, 2006, pleased amend the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.114 as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Request for Reconsideration** begins on page 7 of this paper.